

Rousing Send-Off for 92 D. C. Drafted Men on First Stage of Trip to Battle Front

ENTRAIN FOR CAMP MEADE AMID CHEERS OF BIG CROWD

While a small crowd of relatives and cheering friends called their "Good-bys," the train which bore ninety-two more District men to Camp Meade pulled out of Union Station this morning. A lusty cheer, and shouts of "We'll get the Kaiser," was the response of the drafted men to their loved ones as the train started on its way.

The ninety-two men formed one of the District's quotas of the second call, and were in charge of John Engle, a draftsman from local board No. 11.

March to Station. The men had marched to Union Station from the District Building, where they gathered in the early morning for their final instructions. All along the way to the station they were greeted with cheering, handwaves and encouraging words from the people who gathered to see Washington's sons answer their country's call.

At the station, they were met by a crowd which had gathered to bid them Godspeed on their way to Berlin.

There were good mothers, their eyes red with weeping; sisters, a light of devotion shining in their eyes as they watched their brothers march along; sweethearts, their lips quivering, but their demeanor brave as they strove to keep from bursting into tears.

Badges of Honor. It was no uncommon sight to see a drafted man wearing the white band on his sleeve—his badge of honor—surrounded by his family, father and mother, sisters and brothers, and in some cases a wife.

There was no sadness, but rather happiness and joy. At 9:30 the order "Fall in" was sounded, and with a cheer, the men formed a line, and marched to the train that was waiting to carry them to camp. A few minutes later, and the train drew out, the drafted men cheering loudly as they waved good-bye to the crowd which had been kept behind the iron fence that separates the tracks from the station proper.

Cheered By Soldiers. On a track alongside that on which the train bearing the drafted men left the station, was a troop train filled with soldiers who were evidently on their way to a point of embarkation. These, too, cheered and waved at the departing draftsmen as their train left the station.

In the District's newest quota were two brothers, Clarence and Percy Taylor. The former was a member of the police department, while Percy was a District Health Department employee, and a second-year student at Georgetown University of Law. These two brothers will join a third already at Camp Meade.

The men assembled at the District Building at 7 o'clock this morning, where they were placed in squads and under leadership of their respective squad leaders. Each man was given a white arm band, bearing the number of his local board.

All had obeyed instructions as delivered the night before, when they met in the District Building, and were addressed by Acting Adj. Gen. D. J. Donovan for men from local board No. 11, had charge of the men on the way to the camp. He has had military experience, and was a member of the District Fire Department.

The names of the eleven leaders of the squads from their respective boards were as follows: No. 1, John H. Sweeney; No. 2, John F. Donoghue; No. 3, Joseph J. Hall; No. 4, Robert Leach; No. 5, John W. Moran; No. 6, Michael J. Fleming; No. 7, William E. Gooch; No. 8, Percy Taylor; No. 9, George W. Gould; No. 10, Robert P. Rasor; No. 11, Floyd G. Sutherland.

Flags and epigrams of varied import adorned the suitcases and satchels carried by one of the men Vincent Marcellino, of 415 H street northwest, carried a suitcase decorated with an American flag, and with that of Italy, his native land. Inscribed boldly on the side of the suit-case was the legend:

On His Way. "I'm on my way to Berlin." Allegro Salvatore, a young barber, of 428 H street northwest, who was called from his work to take up the sword, carried a satchel on which was written in big letters:

"I want to shave the Kaiser." When asked what he would do if he were given such a job, he significantly drew his finger across his throat and gurgled suggestively.

Edward Rappa, of 745 Fourth street northwest, had a suitcase decorated with the warning:

"Mr. Kaiser, I'll get you yet." Others who did not carry decorated baggage expressed their sentiment vocally. One tall chap had evidently been celebrating his last night as a civilian rather strenuously, and did not seem to have quite recovered. He entertained the gathering with songs and stories, all directed against the Kaiser's peace of mind. He was the comedian of the contingent.

Friends See Them Off. A number of friends and relatives of the drafted men gathered at the District Building to see them off. Expressing the sentiment of the entire bunch of drafted men John Engle, in charge, said:

"We're glad to go and you can say for us that the sooner they get us over in France the better."

Swift & Company's sales of Fresh Beef in Washington, D. C., for the week ending Saturday, March 30, 1918, averaged 12.25 cents per pound.—Advt.

AMUSEMENTS

TODAY'S FILM THEATER ATTRACTIONS

CRANDALL'S Apollo, 424 H st. n. w. "THE BIRTH OF A NATION"

Leaders of Drafted Men Who Left For Camp Today



The leaders of the drafted District of Columbia men who went to Camp Meade today, and officials who had charge of their departure. At the extreme left is Capt. R. O. Wilmarth, military aide to the adjutant general for the District; from left to right, along the bottom row are:

Dr. Hall, local board No. 7; William E. Gooch, leader No. 7; Postmaster Merritt O. Chance, chairman local board No. 3; Joseph J. Hall, leader No. 3; Acting Adjutant General for the District D. J. Donovan; just above and to the right of him, George W. Gould, leader No. 9; Floyd G. Sutherland, leader No. 11; John Engle, in charge of the entire contingent of conscripts, from local board No. 11; G. S.

Watson, local board No. 8; Lieutenant Kilroy, District Medical aide, and just back of him, Michael J. Fleming, leader No. 6.

Between William Gooch and Postmaster Chance, and just above them, peering over their heads, is Robert Leach, leader No. 4. The row of five men near the top are, from left to right: R. L. Hebbard, clerk local board No. 1; P. J. J. Nicolaidis, headquarters induction clerk; John H. Sweeney, leader No. 1; John W. Moran, leader No. 5; Robert P. Rasor, leader No. 10.

The three men at the top of the picture are attaches of the District building.

N. Y. Gambler Who Was Slain



HARRY COHEN. Morris Rothenberg, a waiter, was today charged with murdering him.

WAITER CHARGED WITH KILLING OF GAMBLER IN N. Y.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Revelation of the details of a \$10,000 plan by gamblers of New York to stop police into their trade was promised today today with the arrest of Morris Rothenberg, waiter, charged with homicide following the murder of Harry Cohen, informer, known as "Harry the Yod."

Rothenberg, was arrested by Joseph Edgely, elevator boy of Cohen's apartment building, as the man who left Cohen's apartment with him and shot him to death as he phoned from a booth in the building.

"We have the murderer," was the formal statement early today of James E. Smith, assistant district attorney, with whom Cohen had made an appointment before his death yesterday to reveal all he knew of the gambling ring.

A fund of \$10,000 was raised by the gamblers to stop our John Doe inquiry and the killing was one result, Smith said. "Rothenberg made many conflicting statements, which we are checking up today."

Rothenberg, the police announced, admitted he had been out of work, without any plausible means of livelihood for four months, and that the gambler and burglar he is charged with killing had financed him to a considerable extent during this period.

He claimed to know nothing of Cohen's movements after six o'clock Monday morning. The gambler was killed an hour later.

Picked Out of Sixteen. Edgely picked Rothenberg out of sixteen men when the police lined them up for identification.

"You are the man, but you have on a different suit. You had a green suit on them," he said.

Rothenberg admitted he had worn a green suit Sunday, changing to gray yesterday, but in the face of Edgely's statement denied knowledge of the shooting.

GERMANY'S LOSSES IN BIG OFFENSIVE ARE NEAR 300,000

Germany's losses in men during the eleven-day offensive are estimated at between 275,000 and 300,000, according to official French figures here.

The estimates are based on a comprehensive resume of the eleven days' fighting, which is as follows:

"After an eleven days' offensive, during which they had recklessly pushed forward their attacking waves one may gather a very accurate estimate of their losses."

In the first place, it has been possible to identify nearly 100 of their divisions since the beginning of the offensive, more than ten of which were twice engaged. Some divisions had to be relieved at the end of the first day, having lost more than half of their men; such was the case of the Forty-fifth and the Eighty-eighth.

The latter has been nearly entirely wiped out. Among those who have suffered the most are the Fifth, Twelfth, Twenty-eighth, and 107th divisions, as well as the Second (Prussian guard), the Sixteenth, Twenty-first, and Twenty-sixth divisions of reserves.

In the second place, an enormous quantity of corpses were found on the battlefield, and the prisoners on being questioned acknowledged the extent of losses of their respective units.

To conceal from the German people the heavy sacrifices that their offensive method required, the Germans are sending most of their wounded to Belgium.

It is not an exaggeration to estimate the total of their losses at between 275,000 and 300,000 men."

BALTIMORE HARD HIT BY STRIKE OF CITY EMPLOYES

BALTIMORE, Md., April 2.—Baltimore was today called upon to face the most serious situation in the city's history, as a result of a strike of approximately 2,000 city laborers and other municipal employees. The strike affects the water department, street cleaning department, the city engineer's department, the parks, and quarantine station. It is estimated that two-thirds of the laborers employed by the city are now out on strike.

The men demand a general increase in wages. The strikers began picketing today in an effort completely to tie up the departments affected and are seeking the aid of union labor organizations. In an effort to break the strike the city today advertised in all the newspapers for white and colored labor and chauffeurs and also boys to drive teams and clean the streets.

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T. R. AND TAFT END OLD FEUD, BURYING THE HATCHET DEEP

The old feud between Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft has been really and truly forgotten and forgiven, Republican leaders in Washington declared today. The word has come through from New York that during the recent illness of the Colonel, ex-President Taft visited him at the hospital and that the two former friends decided to eliminate the word "former."

When the Colonel prepared his speech to be delivered up in Maine, a little later, it is said here, he sent a copy of the manuscript to Mr. Taft, urging him to read it over and make any suggestions he could think of that would be helpful, wherever he, in whose interest the steam roller was operated in Chicago in 1912 to the Colonel's detriment, did that very thing, and his suggestions were adopted.

BAKER AND PAGE NOW ON A VISIT TO ITALIAN FRONT

MANY KILLED AND INJURED IN DRAFT RIOTS AT QUEBEC

QUEBEC, April 2.—Quebec was under control of a military governor today following a night of rioting in fog-clouded streets, in which four were killed and a number injured in a new outbreak of the disorders which have accompanied enforcement of the military conscription law.

Much of the night's disorder took the form of sniping from doorways, and the soldiers had great difficulty in picking out the offending snipers' posts. When rifle shots failed to silence the random firing by the rioters, machine guns were fired down streets where the sniping was most persistent.

Major General Lessard, sent here with the powers of a military governor, but who has not proclaimed martial law, sought today to reach some agreement with the protesting element. Importation of soldiers to cope with the situation has become a big element in the situation, arousing further opposition to the government's operations.

In an effort at getting to the root of the disorders, an attempt is being made today to find the leading forces behind the demonstrations. Reports that I. W. elements are responsible and that German money plays a part in the agitation were proved. Officials believed that it had been definitely established that many outsiders, including men from Montreal, have led many of the bands of marauders.

In the face of the warning that radical measures would be adopted to break the rioting, crowds collected early in the evening, resulting in the posting of soldiers at many points and drawing a line of bayonets across the streets leading to the upper town.

When bricks began to fly and there were several revolver shots from the crowds, the cavalry was sent in to disperse the rioters in an attempt to disperse the mob. Several soldiers fell with minor wounds in the first serious clash near the Canadian Pacific station.

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Hobo King Demands Higher Car Trucks to Make Travel Safer

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., April 2.—Jeff Davis, "King of the Hobos," and one time proprietor of the Hotel de Gink, in New York, is complaining over the fact that builders have added improvements to the modern freight car which make it unsafe for travel.

"Every hobo in the land will be eliminated," he said, "unless railroads make the trucks of their freight trains higher."

The genuine hobo will soon pass into history, he says, because they will have no means of traveling for their health.

POPE PROTESTS CHURCH MURDER BY SUPER-CANNON

PARIS, April 2.—The massacre of men, women and children in two churches, here, by shells from the German long-range guns, has brought forth a great and rabid protest from Pope Benedict. Cardinal Amette, archbishop of Paris, has received from Rome the following telegram:

"The holy father, exploring the fact that the bloody conflict which already has caused everywhere so much suffering, has again, on the very day of the Savior's passion, found more innocent victims, who are still dearer to his heart owing to their faith and piety, expresses his deepest sympathy. He sends the apostolic blessing to all the faithful in Paris, and desires to know if it is necessary to send material aid to the families in mourning."

Grand Rabbi Israel Levi, sent to the cardinal a letter in which he declared that "We are one in pious indignation at the crime which seems to have been intended as an insult to what humanity holds most sacred."

LONDON, April 2.—Berlin dispatches state that the German government takes the position that the responsibility for the security of the inhabitants of Paris must rest with the French government. Every church within the range of German guns, the dispatch adds, must necessarily be subject to incidental hits.

SAMMIES SUCCEEDED IN WRECKING FOE'S TRENCH TELEPHONE

By HENRY G. WALES. International News Service Staff Correspondent.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, April 2.—The American forces have obtained accurate information that the work of their intelligence department has been so effective that the German system of telephone communication in advance support positions is practically useless.

The Boche positions are "tapped" by ground saps, by means of which the Americans listen in. The enemy phone communication is useless for a depth of almost two miles. The Germans are expected to rely exclusively on runners or dogs. Great numbers of the war dogs are observable in the vicinity of German listening and observation posts.

This delay in communication greatly hampers the work of the enemy in co-ordinating artillery and infantry attacks.

Because of the poor quality of their metals the Germans fail to overhaul much American conservations when they try to cut in on American phone lines.

Despite shortage of raw materials, the enemy is expending a great amount of metal in re-enforcing the barbed wire entanglements opposite the American Trench front.

KEEP FRIENDS WITH U. S. SAYS ISHII, ON WAY HERE

TOKYO, April 2.—On the eve of his departure for the United States today, Ambassador Ishii entertained the American-Japan Society here and in an address warned against a renewal of German attempts to estrange Japan and the United States.

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